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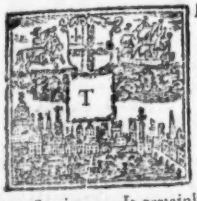

HE Concluſion of my laſt Paper obſerv'd, that if a ſlender Stock of Ideas, a Slowneſs of Apprehenſion, a Narrowneſs of Underſtanding, were ſufficient Reaſons for ſtriking *Beings* out of the Rank of *rational Creatures*, the Conſequence would be fatal to the Human Species.——It certainly would, for many honeſt, merry, pretty Fellows would be degraded from all Pretenſions to Humanity, and might be turn'd a Grazing with a Herd of *Aſſes*. Were all the Ideas of Sir *John Foxchace* compounded, you would find the whole Collection amounted only to his *Dogs*, his *Horſes*, his *Beer* and his *Bottle*: You would find his Joy of Life was center'd in the *Brutes* he kept: You would find he even had not ſo much Senſe as *them*, but was more a *Brute* in *Nature* than any in his *Stable* or his *Kennel*.——On the contrary, take a View of the meſe Man of the *Town*: *Harry Modely* values himſelf on what he calls *knowing the World*: But what is all this Knowledge? he *knows* his Way to St. *James's*, to the *Aſſembly*, the *Oratorio*, the *Playhouſes*; ſo do the Horſes in his Chariot: Diveſt him of the Liberty of repeating the Chit Chat of the Drawing-room or Coffee-houſe, and he is as mute as a Fiſh: He, to outward Appearance, ſeems a pretty, ſmart, well-dreſs'd *Gentleman*: Bid him give any *internal Proofs* of his *Rationality*; bid him reaſon from his own Ideas, and he is not a Degree above the Underſtanding of a *Parrot* or a *Butterfly*. What ſtrange Things would Degradation of Humanity, by levelling it to a proper Proportion of Reaſon, produce? Even ſome modern Wits and Philoſophers, who think they make a great Figure among Mankind, would undergo a Metamorphoſis. *Dick Witwou'd*, who laughs at all Religion, and who paſſes among a Set of Youngſters (who have not ſo many Animal Spirits as *Dick*) for a very clever Fellow, would not be above the Degree of a *Monkey*, was he to be reſtrain'd from ſome Jokes which he has collected from Libertine Books, againſt *Revelation*: Bar him from Reflections on *Prieſts* and *Prieſtcraft*, Stories of *Country Parſons*, and Obſervations how *Biſhops* vote in *Parliament*, and he will not ſay a Word, or produce a Laugh, as long as he lives. Mr. *Sagethought*, the *Free-thinker*, with all his Philoſophy, is not ſuperior to *Dick*, when their Intellects are put on a fair Ballance. *Sagethought* is the more *ſolemn Blockhead*; he gravely talks of comparing Prophane and Sacred Hiſtory, and how groſly Mankind is impoſ'd on by the latter: He cenſures *Moſes* as an Impoſtor; his Opinion of the Divinity is equal to his other Points of Learning and Philoſophy: From openly and gravely avowing the moſt Libertine Thoughts he can any where find, he ſtyles himſelf a *Free-thinker*: But to prove how he can *think*, confine him to his Chamber without Books, only with the neceſſary Allowance of *Pen, Ink* and *Paper*, and in ſix Years Time this mighty Man would not produce ſix Lines of common Senſe on any Queſtion, either in Hiſtory, Philoſophy or Divinity: He would grovel in the Mire of *Libertiniſm* he had been us'd to wallow in; and would not prove himſelf a more intellectual Creature than a *Hog* in his Stye.

This Hypotheſis, in relation to the Human Species, would alſo greatly affect the *Fair Sex*: Was the arch, the gay, the eloquent *Myrtilla* prohibited the Uſe of her favourite Topics of *Dreſs* and *Scandal*, ſhe would be condemn'd to eternal Silence, and not be ſo diverting, ſo agreeable a Creature as her little Lap Dog, *Trip*. It muſt be allow'd, when *Cantilla* ſings, our Ears are agreeably entertain'd: Her Thrills, her Quavers, and the Diviſions which ſhe runs with her Voice have a charming Effect:

From Voice ſo ſweet new Grace the Notes receive,
And Muſick borrows Aid it us'd to give.

With all this Perfection of Singing *Cantilla* is but a little inſignificant Creature.

—— Vox eſt, præterquæque nihil.
Voice ſhe is, and nought beſide.

Hear her but *ſpeak* without her Muſick Leſſon every one will be ſoon convinced ſhe was been born only for a *Song*: She talks of nothing but a *Song*, underſtands nothing but a *Song*, not has any more Claim to Rationality than the *Canary Bird* in her Cage. *Spadilla* loves Cards; her Life is devoted to them; they are the Joy of her Soul; ſhe plays well, and values herſelf highly upon it; ſhe eſteems herſelf an incomparable Woman, for ſhe generally wins. What other agreeable Qualifications may *Spadilla* have? Œconomy ſhe knows nothing of; Reading ſhe never employs herſelf in; Converſation, even on common Subjects, is beyond her Comprehenſion: If there is an Opportunity of introducing a Deſcription of a Viſit, then indeed ſhe ſpeaks; but it is of who and who made ſuch a Party at Ombre or Quadrille; who won; who loſt; what Cards ſuch a one held; how wretchedly Mrs. *Blunder* play'd: How near the Game was to be loſt; how unexpectedly recovered: ——— On this ſhe will talk eternally. ——— Well then, all this Lady's Perfections are, that ſhe plays at Cards well, and does not loſe Money.——— Surpriſing! ——— But who has not ſeen a Horſe play excellently well at Put? Nay, we had in England, not long ago, a French Spaniel who play'd at Quadrille and Ombre, and — play'd all the Game. Now theſe Creatures did not only not loſe Money, but by their Perfections they ſupported their Maſters; wherefore I cannot think our Engliſh had ſo great a Degree of Senſe or Reaſon as the German Horſe or French Spaniel.

After theſe Inſtances I ſhall, as a Comment, ſubjoin ſome of Mr. *Hildrop's* ſerious Reflections: He lays it down, 'That the Partition betwixt the *loweſt* Degree of Human and the *higheſt* Degree of *Brute Underſtanding*, is ſo ſlender, that it is hardly perceptible, and could not in any Degree be diſtinguiſh'd but by a great Fluency of Language; which, tho' in the Main it may be conſider'd as an Advantage to our Species in general, yet is it none to thoſe who ſeldom make any other Uſe of it, than to diſcover the *Emptineſs* of their *Heads*, the *Preverſeneſs* of their *Wills*, or the *Iniquity* of their *Hearts*, and ſhew how little the real Difference is (Shape only excepted) betwixt a *ſagacious, good-natur'd, governable, uſeful Animal*, which we agree to call a *Brute*; and a *wrong-headed, vicious, ungovernable, miſchievous Brute*, whom we agree to call a *Man*; and what Authority we have to ſtrike out of the Syſtem of Immortality ſo great a Part of the Creation, without an abſolute and evident Neceſſity, exceeds my Comprehenſion.

'If both Reaſon and Revelation aſſure us, that in their firſt Creation they were all *very good*; as perfect in their ſeveral Kinds, as beautiful in their ſeveral Orders, as neceſſary to the univerſal Harmony, as infinite Power and Wiſdom could make them; if by the ſpecial Benediction of their Maker they were to *encreaſe* and *multiply*, and perpetuate their ſeveral Species, before *Sin* and *Death* enter'd into the World; how dare we pretend to reverſe this Bleſſing, to correct infinite Wiſdom, to alter the eſtabliſh'd Order of Things, and pronounce a Sentence of utter *Extinction* upon numberleſs Ranks and Orders of Beings, created by infinite Wiſdom, to manifeſt the Power and Goodneſs of their Maker, by miniſtring to the Pleaſure and Neceſſities of Mankind, and contributing in their proper Order to the Beauty and Harmony of the univerſal Syſtem? Is not this pronouncing a Curſe where God has pronounced a Bleſſing? and in Effect declaring that infinite Wiſdom and Power were idly employ'd in forming, ſupporting, feeding and bleſſing numberleſs Species, Tribes, and Families of uſeleſs and unneceſſary Beings? Is it not more reaſonable, more conſiſtent with the Nature of God, and the Scripture Account of the Creation, to ſuppoſe that the immaterial Forms, the *incorruptible Eſſences* of the whole Syſtem, notwithſtanding its preſent ruinous and deplorable Appearance under the Bondage of *Corruption* and *Death*, are immoveably fix'd in their proper Rank and Order in the *inviſible* World, according to the eternal Archetypal Model in the Divine Mind, in and by which, as their efficient and exemplary Cauſe, every Being in Heaven and Earth, from the moſt exalted *Seraph* to the loweſt *Vegetable*, was made, in which they now ſubſiſt, and ſhall for ever ſubſiſt, in a glorious Immortality?'

I have given this only as a Specimen of the ſerious Reflections of Mr. *Hildrop's Free Thoughts on the Brute Creation*: The Truth of theſe he eſtabliſhes on Quotations from ſeveral Parts of Scripture; but as I think he has gone too great Lengths where Philoſophy and Divinity are brought to prove his Argument, I thought it improper to follow him into a Labyrinth of Diſputation. The Uſe which I have made of the Subject will, I imagine, be entertaining to my Readers, which is the whole Purport of my Deſign.

To a young Lady who promiſ'd to marry *when the* Spring *comes.*

ROLL on ye Days; ſpeed ſwift O tardy Spring,
And to my Arms my dear *Florella* bring:
Florella, as the new-bloom Bloſſoms fair,
Soft as the vernal Breeze, and ſweet as Air;
My eager Love, impatient of Delays,
Outſtrips the Sun and chides the ling'ring Days.
The blooming Virgin vows ſhe will not wed
'Till every Field becomes a Bridal Bed;
'Till Nature ſeems all Power to employ
To teſtify our Bliſs, and crown our Joy.

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FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

Peterſbourg, Feb. 19. M. Dallion, the French Miniſter, had a few Days ſince a private Audience of the Empreſs, in which he acquainted her Imperial Majeſty how ſenſibly affected the King his Maſter was with the

Care ſhe took to leave out of the Treaty concluded between Ruſſia and Great Britain every thing that might be prejudicial to the good Harmony ſubſiſting between this Empire and France.

Peterſbourg, Feb. 20. Orders have been ſent to our Plenipotentiaries at the Congreſs at Abo, not to conſent to an Armiſtice with Sweden, unleſs the States of that Kingdom elect the Duke of Holſtein, Biſhop of Lubeck, for Succeſſor to the Throne. The Grand Prince has alſo ſent Inſtructions on this Head to M. Pechlin, his Miniſter at Stockholm. The laſt Advices from Aſtracan bring a Confirmation of the bad Condition Thamas Kouli Kan's Army is in, and add, that ſome of his Troops had mutinied.

Stockholm, Feb. 24. Wedneſday the Common Committee ſent a Deputation to his Majeſty, to communicate to him their Opinions touching the Command of the Army and the Affair of the Succeſſion: The King made Anſwer, that he refer'd the laſt Article entirely to the Wiſdom of his faithful States; but as to the Command of the Army, he would take it upon him in caſe the War continues, being ready to ſacrifice his Life for the Good of his People.

Madrid, Feb. 17. It is currently reported here, that a Match is as good as concluded between the Infanta Maria Thereſa and the Dauphin.

Rome, Feb. 23. Cardinal Belluga died laſt Night. The Cardinals Paſſionei, Petra, and Pico, are ſick; the two laſt are in great Danger.

Florence, Feb. 23. Prince Octaviano de Medicis died a few Days ſince at Leghorn. The late Electreſs Dowager Palatine has declared by her Will the Great Duke of Tuſcany her univerſal Heir, by which his Royal Highneſs inherits above ſeven Millions of Crowns, whereof there are two Millions in Specie.

Geneva, Feb. 18. The Engliſh Party ſtill baffle all the Efforts of the Spaniards; yet the latter are not diſcourag'd at it, and have within theſe few Days made another Offer of a large Sum of Money to obtain a Paſſage through the Valaize; but this Offer has not in the leaſt forwarded their Affairs, for this Eagerneſs to paſs through that Country determin'd the Canton of Bern to ſend hither a new Reinforcement of 2000 Men with Artilley and Warlike Stores.

Geneva, March 5. We have Letters from Italy, which ſay, that Count Traun has receiv'd a Reinforcement of 7000 Men from Germany, and ſince paſs'd the Panaro with his Army; and that the Count de Gage is marching to Rimini and Forli with the Spaniſh Troops. A Confirmation of this News is impatiently expected, becauſe the Letters from Ferrara and Bologna make no mention of the Motions of the Auſtrians, tho' indeed they ſay that the Spaniards were preparing to retreat further into the Eccleſiaſtick State.

Extract of a Letter from Geneva, March 8.

'The Marqueſs de la Mina, the Spaniſh General, 'was to lay as laſt Night at a Village call'd Laney, 'about half a League from this City; but it is believ'd 'that he had been there ſome time before, in order to 'view the Ground for a Camp.——I juſt now heard 'that the Duke de Apremont, the Piedmonteſe Gene'ral, died the 23d of laſt Month of the Wounds he 'receiv'd in the Battle of Panaro, to the great Grief of 'the King of Sardinia, and all his Friends, he being 'look'd on as a very experienced General.'

Vienna, Feb. 27. A Courier is arriv'd from Count Traun, with Advice, that the King of Sardinia has conſented that his Troops ſhall join the Auſtrians, and act on either Side of the Panaro, as his Excellency ſhall think proper; in conſequence of which the Count was making the neceſſary Diſpoſitions to paſs that River as ſoon as he is join'd by a ſufficient Number of Piedmonteze.

Ratiſbon, March 7. We hear that Prince Lobkowitz has abandon'd Schmidmulen, Rieden, and ſome other Poſts in the Upper Palatinate, and has retir'd over the Naab; and that the Veldt-Marſhal Count Kevenhuller is gone to Vienna.

Manheim, March 6. The Court has been very much ſurpriz'd to ſee it affirm'd in ſome Foreign Gazettes, and other publick Papers, that the Elector Palatine, our Sovereign, had taken a Reſolution to remain neuter in the War between the Head of the Empire and the Queen of Hungary, and had order'd all his Subjects to act in conformity to that Reſolution. We can aſſure that nothing can be more ill grounded than this pretended Neutrality, and that the Newsmongers, that attribute ſuch a Reſolution to his Electoral Highneſs, know but very little of his Sentiments.

Mentz, March 6. A ſort of Congreſs is to be held forthwith in this City, in order to try to adjuſt in an amicable Manner the Differences between the Emperor and the Court of Vienna. Count Cobenzel, Miniſter from the Queen of Hungary, has already hired a Houſe for ſix Months. A Houſe is likewiſe hired for Mr. Villiers, the Britiſh Miniſter at the Court of Dreſden, who is now at Vienna.

Hamburgh, March 5. We have no Confirmation of the Report, that the Subſidy Treaty between Great Britain and Denmark had been ſign'd and ſent to London: On the contrary, the laſt Letters from Copenhagen ſay, that this Negotiation meets with great Obſtacles, and that the French Miniſter there is like to make the Affair miſcarry. Thoſe Letters add, that the warlike Preparations go on with greater Vigour than ever, and that the Fleet will put to Sea the Beginning of next Month.

Bruſſels, March 7. Our Advices from the Frontiers ſay, that the greateſt Part of the regular Troops in French Flanders and Hainault have begun their March towards Luxembourg, and taken along with them a fine Train of Artillery.

Duſſeldorp, March 8. The Earl of Stair, General in Chief of the Engliſh and Hanoverian Troops, has publiſh'd an Ordinance, or Reſcript, importing, 'That 'the Officers having complain'd of the Want of For'rage for the Troops canton'd in the Dutchy of Ju'liers, Baron Merode, as the Commiſſary appointed 'to provide them therewith, is requir'd to order 'Matters ſo as that the ſaid Troops may have their 'Subſiſtence, in default of which they ſhall have full 'Liberty to go and take Forrage wherever they can 'find any. *Sign'd* STAIR.

This Reſcript has been communicated to Baron Merode.

Maeſtricht, March 4. We hear from Aix-la-Chapelle, that the Earl of Stair has fix'd his Head Quarters in that City, and that a grand Council of War is to be held as ſoon as the Duke d'Aremberg arrives there, to ſettle the Operations of the Campaign. In the mean time the Inhabitants of the open Country in the Dutchy of Juliers are moving off with their beſt Effects to their ſtrong Towns, and many of them have taken Shelter here.

Verſailles, March 7. The Count de Saxe will ſet out To-morrow without fail; and 'tis ſaid he is to command in Bavaria under the Prince de Conti.

The Czarina has deſir'd the King to ſend back the Marqueſs de la Chetardie to Peterſbourg, in Quality of his Miniſter Plenipotentiary; which, 'tis ſaid, has been granted; and the Marqueſs will ſet out as ſoon as he has ſettled ſome Affairs here.

From the Utrecht Gazette.

Extract of a Letter from London, dated March 5. *N. S.*

'Baron Haſlang, Miniſter Plenipotentiary from 'the Emperor, has had ſeveral Conferences within 'this Fortnight with the Lord C——— about a new 'Plan of Pacification, according to which his Impe'rial Majeſty would reſolve to acknowledge the 'Queen of Hungary and Bohemia Sovereign of thoſe 'two Kingdoms, provided ſhe cedes to him, for ever, 'the Diſtrict of Egra and the Circles of Pilſen and 'Pratchin, to be diſmembered from the Kingdom of 'Bohemia and incorporated with the Electorate of 'Bavaria, beſides the Lower Tyroleze, as far as the 'Inn, with the Fortreſs of Kufſtein, and, moreover, 'all that the Houſe of Auſtria poſſeſſes in Swabia, as 'alſo the Cities of the Black Foreſt and the Territories 'depending on them as far as the Rhine; in ſhort, as 'much as would ſerve to make an Augmentation of 'ſix Millions of Florins yearly in the Emperor's Re'venues, his Imperial Majeſty referring the Execu'tion of this Plan to the Arbitration of the Maritime 'Powers.' —— A hopeful Plan indeed! If he has a Right to the late Emperor's Succeſſion, he ought to have it, whether or no he ſits in the Imperial Throne; but if he has no Right to it, where is the Juſtice, where is the good Senſe, in ſtripping the Queen of Hungary, becauſe he is too poor to ſupport the Dignity of Head of the Empire?

Lewarden, March 12. The young Princeſs of Orange was baptiz'd on the 10th by the Name of Carolina; the Sponſors were the King of Great Britain, the Queen of Pruſſia, and the Princeſs Dowager of Orange.

IRELAND.

Dublin, Feb. 26. By Letters from Kinſale we hear, that Capt. Luke Mercer, Commander of the Beſborough Galley, ſeiz'd in Clonakilt Bay a noted Smuggler; call'd the St. Michael, of Nantz, Burthen 70 Tons, John Mahony an Iriſhman, and John Gaven a Frenchman, Maſters, with five French and thirteen Iriſh Hands; the ſaid Ship was laden with Raw Wooll, and Firkins of Butter, bound to Nantz. What pity it is our Neighbours will not give us Liberty of working up our own Wooll, the Profits of which would centre in England, and be a means of reducing the Trade of France; which is ſo pernicious to theſe Dominions, as it deprives many of our Manufacturers of their Bread, and obliges them to go to our Enemies for Employment.

On Wedneſday laſt died ſuddenly Thomas Medlicot, Eſq; at Kenna in the County of Kildare, the oldeſt Proctor in the Kingdom, and Juſtice of the Peace for the ſaid County.

Dublin, March 1. Saturday Night laſt Sir Lawrence Parſons, Knight of the Shire for the King's County, was married to Miſs Harman, a Lady of great Beauty and Merit, with a Fortune of 20,000 l. Sterling.

Yeſterday died of a Lowneſs of Spirits at her Lodgings in Arran-ſtreet, the Lady Margaret Morres, Relict of Sir John Morres, Bart. and Mother to the late Sir Edmond. Her Ladyſhip hath left four Daughters, three of which are married to the following Gentlemen, viz. Lieutenant Carney, Capt. Long, Nephew to Lord Cahir, and Mr. Uniacke. The other is not yet married.

The Rev. Mr. Edward Ledwich, Doctor of Laws, is made Vicar General of the Dioceſe of Kildare, in the room of the Rev. Joſ. Graves, who has reſign'd.

LONDON.

A NEW TAX *propos'd.*

C——— avow'd,——neither the *new Supplies*,
Nor the *new Taxes*, above *Reaſon* riſe.——
T——*t* aroſe:——' If *Reaſon* is the Caſe,
' I move, that all be *tax'd* who hold a *Place*:
' Nor let *new* M—ſt—rs this Motion fear,
' Too hard on *them* this *new Tax* will not bear:
' For tho' *this Year* this Scheme be brought about
' They're ſafe:—Before the *next* they'll all be *out*.

It is conjectur'd from ſome late Conferences which the Fr—— M—ſt—r has had with a certain S—— of H———, that ſome new Negotiations are brought on the Tapis, and more eſpecially as he has publickly declar'd, that his Court could not indolently ſee the Britiſh Forces in full March into Germany.——*Some conjectural Stateſmen fix another* Neutrality Treaty *has been offer'd*; *whether there will be Occaſion to accept it the* Cabinet Stateſmen *only can decide.*

We hear the Inſtallation of Knights of the Bath will be the beginning of next Month, in Henry the Seventh's Chapel in Weſtminſter-Abbey.

We hear that the Bill for prohibiting Foreign Cambricks is put off for two Months.

On Saturday the Brotherhood of the Trinity-Houſe met at their Houſe in Water-Lane, and admitted Admiral Vernon to be an Elder Brother of that Corporation; the Admiral afterwards gave a ſplendid Entertainment to the ſaid Gentlemen, at the Dolphin Tavern in Tower-Street.

The Right Rev. Dr. Egerton, Biſhop of Hereford, Clerk of the Cloſet to his Majeſty, has appointed Mr. Hart, his Lordſhip's Gentleman, to be Cloſet-Keeper of his Majeſty's Chapels, in the room of Mr. Reading, deceas'd.

The Commiſſioners of Exciſe have appointed Mr. Barbier Accomptant-General in the London Brewery, in the room of Mr. Pollard, deceas'd.

The Commiſſioners of the Exciſe have order'd all the Officers in their ſeveral Diviſions, to ſend an Account to the Office of all the licens'd Victuallers enter'd in each Diviſion; and the Juſtices are to ſend to the ſaid Commiſſioners the Number of Licences each grants on Account of the late Act.

Monday Summonſes were iſſued out by the Commiſſioners of Exciſe to all Taverns, Coffee-Houſes, Inn-Holders, Victuallers and Alehouſe-Keepers, to take out Licences for retailing ſpirituous Liquors on or before the 25th Inſtant.

Laſt Week Pierce Galliard, of Lincoln's Inn, Eſq; was married at Edmonton, to Miſs Hughes of that

place; an agreeable young Lady with a Fortune of 10000 l.

On Tuesday George Huxley, Esq; late Commissary-General, was married to Mrs. Bolton, of College-Street, Westminster, Relict of the late Rev. Mr. Bolton, deceas'd, a Gentlewoman of a considerable Fortune.

Last Week died at Bath, of the Jaundice and Palsy, his Grace James Hamilton, Duke of Hamilton in Scotland, and Brandon in England.

His Grace is succeeded in Honour and Estate by his eldest Son, the Marquess of Clydsdisdale, about nineteen Years of Age.

Count Joseph de Byersberg, Lieutenant-General of Foot, died on Feb. 18. N. S. at Mantua, of seventeen Wounds he receiv'd in the Battle of Campo Santo.

Lately died at Rulace in Merionethshire, Dame Martha Price, Relict of Roger Price, Esq; and Daughter to Robert Viscount Bulkeley, a Lady of exemplary Piety and Virtue. By her Decease a considerable Estate devolves to William Price, Esq; of Vaynol in Flintshire.

We hear that on Tuesday the 1st Instant died at Bath, John Brinsden, of Rathbone, Esq; who as in publick Life was ever most zealous for the true Interest and Service of his Country, and in private Life esteem'd the most faithful and sincere Friend and most agreeable Companion, his Death is universally lamented. He is succeeded in his Estate by his eldest Son, the Rev. Charles Brinsden, A. M.

Last Week died, at his House near Shavington, Shropshire, John Duncombe, Esq; a Gentleman of a very large Estate, which he daily spent in Acts of Hospitality and Charity: The Rich have lost an agreeable Companion, and the Poor a constant and generous Benefactor.

A few Days ago died, at Morden-College on Blackheath, Mr. Trevor, formerly an eminent Merchant of this City. He died in the ninety-eighth Year of his Age, and has been in the said College eighteen Years.

Last Week died at his Apartments in St. James's Palace, George Brinckman, Esq; one of the Pages to the King, and likewise one of his Majesty's Valet de Chambres.

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The same Day died suddenly, as he was playing at Cards, at Tom's Coffee-House in Great Russel Street, Capt. Wilkey, of Blackheath: He formerly commanded the Queen Caroline in the East-India Company's Service, in which Station he acquir'd a handsome Fortune, and had retir'd from Business.

On Saturday Morning, about Four o'Clock, died of an Apoplectick Fit, at his House at Twickenham, Mr. Russel, formerly an eminent Baker in Cow-Lane, West-Smithfield, by which Business he acquir'd a handsome Fortune. He was many Years Common-Council-Man for the Ward of Farringdon Without.

On Sunday last died Mr. Hieron, an eminent Tobacconist on London-Bridge. He was some time before his Death ill of a violent Fever; and a few Days since took the Opportunity, during the Absence of his Nurse, to get out of Window on the Sign-Iron, and jump'd from thence to the Ground in his Shirt, and was found in Tooley-Street; from whence he was conducted to the House where he died.

Last Week the Corpse of the Hon. Col. Stanhope, Son to the Right Hon. the Earl of Harrington, was landed at Portsmouth, and privately interr'd there.

The beginning of last Week died the Rev. Mr. James Eve, who had been near 40 Years Vicar of Tenham in Kent; which Living is in the Gift of the Archdeacon of Canterbury.

Mr. Eve was also Rector of Midley near Romney, a Living in the Gift of his own Family; but the Church has been demolish'd for many Years.

Last Week the Rev. Mr. Thursby, Rector of Stoke-Newington in Middlesex, was chosen Lecturer of the said Parish, in the room of the Rev. Mr. Sear, deceas'd.

Thursday se'nnight about One in the Morning, Mr. Theobalds, a Person who dealt in Worsted, and has several Servants, was met by one William Russel, a Soldier belonging to Col. Fielding's Company in the Second Regiment of Foot-Guards, near the Admiralty-Office, who ask'd him if he would enter for a Soldier; and being answer'd in the Negative, the Villain swore he would do his Business, and accordingly drew his Sword and stabb'd him just above the Groin; in such a Manner that 'tis thought he can't recover: After the Fellow had done the Mischief he attempted to make his Escape; but was immediately pursu'd and taken; and being carry'd before Justice Frazier was by him committed to the Gatehouse.

Tuesday se'nnight, about Nine at Night, Mr. West, a Colour-Man in Tower Street, was attack'd on Tower-Hill by two Russians arm'd with Cutlasses, who swore they would mince him if he did not deliver his Money, and oblig'd him to give them twelve Guineas, which he had just before receiv'd.

Yesterday se'nnight Sarah Williamhurst was committed to the Poultry Compter, by the Right Hon. the Lord Mayor; being charg'd with the Murder of her Daughter, an Infant about three Months old, by terribly bruising its Head, and afterwards flinging it down a Bog-house at her Lodgings in Rood-Lane.

On Saturday Night as Mr. Cook, a Smith in Snow's-Fields, was coming home from Deptford, where he had been to do some Work, he was attack'd near Lock Chapel by three Footpads, who demanded his Money, and at the same Time one of them struck him on the Head with a Bludgeon, which so fractur'd his Skull that it is thought he cannot live.

On Saturday a Sailor belonging to the Mary Galley, who had receiv'd his Wages at the Pay-Office in Broad-Street, amounting to near fourteen Guineas, had his Pocket pick'd of the same; the Sailors detected a Fellow in picking another Man's Pocket, and drubb'd him in such a Manner that it is believ'd he cannot recover. No Money was found about him although he was strictly search'd. They afterwards made a Collection for the Sufferer which amounted to about 7 l.

On Sunday last as the Hon. John Needham, Esq; Captain in the Horse Guards, and Colonel Lee were going over Langley Broom near Slow in a Chaise, attended by one Servant, they were attacked by a single Highwayman, who stepp'd the Horses, and with a Pistol cock'd, and levelled at the Face of the former Gentleman, demanded their Money; but the Captain not at all intimidated by the usual Threats on those Occasions very gallantly set him at Defiance, and giving him several very smart Cuts in the Face, as he stood at the Head of the Horses, *with the Chaise Whip only*, so discomposed him, that by driving directly against his Horse, and directing the Servant at the same time to ride at him, he very dexterously forced him into the Ditch at the Corner of the Lane going off the Broom, and with a parting Cut threaten'd him, in case of any Pursuit, with the Danger of being apprehended: The Highwayman, however, made a feint Pursuit to the End of the Lane; but finding all his Attempts frustrated by the Courage and Resolution of the Gentleman abovemention'd, he made off as fast as he could, with many flagrant Marks of the Whip in his Face.

Thursday se'nnight the Assizes ended at Northampton, (held before the Lord Chief Baron Parker and Mr. Justice Burnett) when the four following Malefactors receiv'd Sentence of Death, viz. William Artleborough and William Porter, for the Murder of Benjamin Meadow at Kettering; and William Dickens and Thomas Elderton for Sheep-stealing; the latter of whom was reprieved till next Assizes.

The same Day ended the Assizes at Ailesbury in the County of Buckingham, where William Clutterbuck, convicted of Felony (pursuant to an Act of the 14th Year of his present Majesty, for the preventing of stealing and destroying of Sheep and other Cattle; by an Act of the 15th of his said Majesty, other Cattle are explained to be Bull, Cow, Ox, Steer, Bullock, Heifer, Calf and Lamb) was condemned to be hanged, and it is supposed will be executed there on Wednesday se'nnight; William Cloathier, John Dormer, and William Calcott, otherwise Cancott, three old Convicts received his Majesty's Pardon, upon Condition of Transportation for 14 Years.

At Winchester Assizes Michael Baughan and his Wife were tried, and both found guilty, the former for having 400 Counterfeit Sixpences found in his Custody, and the latter for uttering that Sort of Money, knowing it to be so.

On Saturday Night, about Ten o'Clock, a Fire broke out in an empty House in Kent-Street, Southwark, which burnt with great Fury for some Time; but by the Assistance of Firemen and Engines it was soon extinguish'd. It is suppos'd to have been set on Fire with some wicked Design, this being the fourth Fire that has happen'd in that Neighbourhood within a Month past.

Wednesday Morning, about Two o'Clock, a Fire broke out at the House of Mr. Clay, a Tobacconist in St. John's-Street, which entirely consum'd that, and damag'd two others adjoining.

Yesterday se'nnight a frightful and shocking Accident happen'd to Mrs. Pankard, Wife to Mr. Pankard, a wealthy Cow-keeper at Newington in Surrey: A Cow of theirs having cast her Calf on Thursday Night; she went yesterday Morning to see it and give the Cow some Hay; on stroaking the Calf the Cow gored her in the Belly in such a terrible Manner that her Bowels came out and she died on the Spot.

The same Day one Cheeseman, formerly a noted Farrier at Greenwich, was found burnt in so miserable a Manner at the Lime-Kilns in the said Parish, that on being mov'd he died.

On Saturday last one Stead, a Glover near Christ-Church, Surrey, was committed to the New Gaol, Southwark, by William Clark, Esq; for starving Mary Painter, his Apprentice, a Girl of about nine Years of Age. This inhuman Fellow took the Child out of the Workhouse about six Months ago; since which Time her Allowance has been no more than one Dish of Tea and a small Piece of Bread and Butter a Day. This Piece of Cruelty was found out by the diligent Inspection of the Parish Officers; and it were to be wish'd that the Officers of other Parishes would now and then inspect into the Usage poor Children often meet with, who are put out in like manner.

Wednesday se'nnight Capt. Coates, Master of a Collier, going on board his Vessel near Limehouse, miss'd his Hold and fell into the River and was drown'd: Assistance was ready at hand to save him; but he was never seen to rise.

The Diamond, Capt. Deen, bound for Waterford, from Havre-de-grace, is taken by the Spaniards, and carry'd to Paron Head, St. Rialo.

The ———, Henley, from Faro for Liverpool, is likewise taken by the Spaniards.

On the 17th of January last the Charles, Capt. Ernle, for Africa, was taken by a Privateer belonging to Vigo, after an Engagement of two Hours, in the Latitude of 46 North, Longitude 10 West, about 200 Leagues from the Land's-End; her Name was the Nostra Signora de la Hume, 130 Tons, two nine Pounders in her Head, six four Pounds, and four Swivel Guns on her Main Deck, 100 Men; of which the Captain and 29 of them are French, the Mate and seven more English. The Charles was sent away for Cadiz.

The said Privateer was about five Days after taken by the Fox Man of War, Capt. Erskine, in her way to the Canaries, (with Spanish Prisoners to exchange) and by him sent to Madeira. It is remarkable, that by the Confession of the Spaniards, the Charles appear'd so formidable, they debated some time before they ventur'd to attack her, and had there not been so many French and perfidious English, it's probable they would not have attempted it, being, from the Number of Guns, doubtful of Success——The Frenchmen in Spanish Privateers may pass with Impunity; but it's hop'd that a Punishment suitable to the Wickedness of their Crime will be inflicted on our Countrymen.

The Expedition Packet, Mourant, from St. Malo and Concall, is arriv'd at Southampton, who reports, that there lay at St. Malo a Spanish Privateer of four Carriage, eight Swivel Guns, and 45 Men, Capt. Andros; being a Snow or a Brigantine at Pleasure, having two Pole-masts, her Fore-mast hanging forward over her Bow, and her Main-mast leaning Aft, with a Boom on her Quarter: The said Privateer had taken two or three Days before her Arrival at St. Malo's, which was the 25th past, two Prizes; one a Brigantine with Chalk and Rubbish from London for Wales, and carry'd her in with her; the other a Sloop laden with Brandy and Tobacco (suppos'd to be a Smuggler) which she sent into Picro in Bretagne within the seven Islands; both which she took off the Start.

We are assur'd that the successful Adventurers of St. Sebastian's have lately fitted out seven stout Privateers, and that they are put to Sea, in order to cruize on the English Spring-Trade, (as the Writers of the Letters, that give this Advice, term it) but we doubt not that our Men of War will soon give an Account of them.

Extract of a Letter from Newcastle, dated March 4.

'Last Tuesday se'nnight, when the Transports sail'd 'under the Convoy of the Greyhound Man of War, 'Capt. Carteret, one Mrs. West, who kept a consider- 'able Slop-Shop in North-Shields, carry'd a Quantity 'of Goods suitable for Sailors on board the said Man 'of War to sell; and while she was between Decks, 'agreeing about the Sale, having her Servant-Maid 'with her, it was contrived to put the Ship under 'Sail, unknown to the two Women; who, when 'they had done their Business, are supposed to have 'came up in order to go off, but then it was too late, 'for they were out at Sea, and (their Boat, unknown 'to them, had been order'd off) so are both carry'd 'to Ostend to be forc'd ('tis too much to be fear'd) to 'gratify the Lusts and wicked Intentions of some of 'the Officers. The above Mrs. West is a Widow 'Woman, has a considerable Stock of Goods in her 'Shop (which is now kept shut) has not been long 'settled in that Place, and has left two Children be- 'hind her (one about Six and the other about Two 'Years of Age) without any Body to take Care of 'them, occasioned by this most savage Treatment. 'An unparallel'd Piece of Villany, and scarcely to be cre- 'dited; but it is (with many other aggravating Circum- 'stances) strictly true.'

From the London Gazette.

Whitehall, March 5. His Majesty's Ship the Squirrel, commanded by Capt. Geary, arriv'd in the Downs the 3d Instant, with a Prize discover'd by him at Sea the 10th of February last, in the Latitude of 36. 59 N. Madera bearing S. 24. 15 E. 92 Leagues Distance, and taken the Day following. She is a French Ship, call'd the Pierre Joseph, hired by the Spaniards at Cadiz, and bound from Vera Cruz and the Havannah to that Port, as was confess'd by some of her Officers, for her Papers were all thrown over-board when she first saw the Man of War. Her Supercargo at first conceal'd himself, but afterwards appear'd and was found to be a Spaniard. She had also several Spanish Passengers on board in Disguise. The Master was French, but he acknowledg'd that he had no Interest whatsoever in the Cargo, which belong'd entirely to Spaniards. Her Cargo consisted of 65 Chests of Silver, 5 Bales of Cochineal, 37 Bales of Indigo, and 1 Case of Vanel, 60 Cases of Sugar, and 3500 Hydes. She pretended to have been bound to Mississippi, but the Master own'd she had not been there, nor at any other Ports in America besides La Vera Cruz and the Havannah, having taken in her Lading of Quicksilver, Wine and Brandy at Cadiz for the former Place, and touch'd at the latter in her Return to take in Sugar and Hydes, and from thence sail'd in Company with five French Ships more, under Convoy of a Spanish Galleon, all bound to Cadiz, and parted from them eight Days before she was taken.

The said Capt. Geary, on the 29th of January last, in Company with the Mistake Sloop, which was a Prize he had before taken, and had put some of his Men on board her, burnt a Spanish Privateer Sloop on the Shore of a little Village call'd Paul, near the West End of the Island of Tonshall, in the Maderas, whereon she had been forced by the Squirrel and the Mistake Sloop: This Privateer was call'd the St. Elmo, and had on the 22d of the same Month chased a Sloop from New York, off the West of that Island.

Monday came Advice, by Way of Lisbon, that the St. Louis-Joseph, a French Ship, from La Vera Cruz, but last from the Havannah, with 700,000 Pieces of Eight on board, and a great Quantity of rich Merchandize, was safe arriv'd at the Groyne in Galicia. This is the Ship that was in Company with that taken by his Majesty's Ship the Squirrel.

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